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We expect to be obliged to discuss procurement military aircraft with Israeli representatives about May 17. We wish avoid sale US aircraft and have told Israel we would help explore possible European sources.

Since complete and current information lacking here, request information available to you and Service Attaches without approach, host government on price, availability and performance interceptor and attack aircraft manufactured locally. Also any indications or details on possible talks between host government and Israeli representatives. Particularly interested in Canberra and Vautour IIN or other Vautour aircraft modified to light bomber configuration, perhaps equipped with UK Rolls Royce Spey engines. Need info not later than COB May 12.

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